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Fractional Currency Collectors Board

1996 ANNUAL MEETING

We will be having our annual meeting at the International Paper Money Show in Memphis this year as per our usual. President Hales has again requested a 2PM Saturday slot. To date, he has not received confirmation, so look for the meeting schedules posted at the show. After a short business meeting, we will be treated to a wonderful program. Milt Friedberg will be presenting a program on *"The Building of the Friedberg Collection."* After presenting some of his methods and madness on building his collection, he will open the floor to questions on how you too, can build a collection of this importance and magnitude. Also, while at Memphis, look for and attend the SPMC breakfast. I will be the speaker and had originally planned to speak on South Carolina Obsoletes, but in honor of Mr. Friedberg and the sale of his impending collection, I will now be speaking on *"Fractional Currency and Other Bridges to the Civil War Small Change Shortage."* Don't get too concerned, the program will be shorter than the title. I would love to have you all attend.

EXHIBITS

As usual, again this year, the FCCB will present plaques for the top three exhibits of fractional placed. If you have not already done so, contact the exhibit chair, our own charter member, Martin Delger for exhibit applications.

FRIEDBERG COLLECTION SALE

As you all are probably aware, Milt's collection will go on the auction block at the 1997 F.U.N. show in January. It will be sold by Currency Auctions of America, which is partially owned by one of our own charter members, Len Glazer. Len is currently undergoing the daunting task of cataloging the collection. Make plans now to attend or at least get a copy of the catalog. The CAA catalogs have become very good and important references in and of themselves and I am sure this one will be a blockbuster. Start saving those pennies now!

T.N.A.

Once again, for the third time in the past five years, one of our members took home Best-of-Show in exhibits at the Texas Numismatic Association's annual convention. Member #55, Fred Reed's 10 case exhibit entitled *"Graven Image; the Original Security Portrait of Abraham Lincoln"* was truly a work of art and very well done. I forgot to ask Fred if he was taking it to Memphis, but if he does, make a point to view

it. Fred also presented a truly wonderful talk on Encased Postage Stamps, the subject of his new book. I learned more in that hour and a half than I have in the past five years. If you get a chance to hear him speak, take the time. If not, buy the book. Also, TNA has a program called "Coins for A's" that gives coins to youngsters in our numismatics for making good grades on their report cards. If you happen to have duplicates or lower end notes (no uglies please), that you would like to contribute, either give them to me at Memphis or send them to me and I will ensure they are sent to the appropriate people. This is a truly great opportunity to get youngsters involved in our niche of the hobby.

I'M ON THE NET!

Yes, I am finally on the Internet. My E-mail address is bj.bolin@baylordallas.edu. If you have simple things such as address changes, ideas for the newsletter, etc., drop me a line. I have no idea how to do anything other than read my mail, so if you send me files or want a reply, it may take me a while to get back to you. I am still waiting on a class on how this thing really works. Gradually, I will master it (then it will change). Also, please note the change to my mailing address on the letterhead.

JULY NEWSLETTER

The newsletter that I will put out in July is taking shape very well. I already have a number of articles for it, so if you have things to add, please send them to me. I will have it out as soon as I get the minutes from our meeting from Howard (I promise not to leave a page out this year Howard).

'96 DUES--'96 DUES--'96 DUES

Attached is a list of those members who have not as yet paid their 1996 dues. We have 135 active members and 60 have not paid as yet. Remember, dues only \$12, are due each January 1 and you owe them if you joined before October 1995. If your name appears on the list and you have paid, please accept our apologies. If you are on the list and do not owe, please drop Dr. Lee a note because the July newsletter is the last those on the list will get if they do not pay. Dr. Lee will be taking dues at Memphis, but obviously we would prefer them to be paid before that. One member asked if I could put the membership numbers on the labels. I will be doing this in the future, but it is obviously a big task, so it will take time. **THANKS FOR THE INPUT!**

ANDREWS, DEBBIE
AUSTIN, J.
BALBATON, RICHARD
BAUMAN, K.S.
CAMERON, FRED
CRAVEN, MIKE
DELGER, MARTIN
DENLY, TOM
FALATER, LARRY
FITZGERALD, THOMAS
FORGUE, DENNIS
FOULGER, KENNETH
GARRINGER, MARTIN
GENGERKE, MARTIN
GLAZER, JEAN

GLAZER, LEN
GOLDMAN, MICHAEL
GRAVES, JOE
GREEN, KEN
GROOMAN, DAVE
HANER, LEE
HARPER, DAVID
HENDERSON, MILTON
HERBERT, ROBERT
HILL, LAWRENCE
HOFFMAN, JERRY
KAGIN, DON
KARNEFSKY, BEN
KELLY, DON
KLEIMAN, MARK

LAUB, ROBERT
LIECHTY, WAYNE
LUNG, RANDALL
MARCHIONI, M
MARCHIONI, VIC
McNATT, WILLIAM
METZGER, BOB
MURPHY, TERENCE
NEILSON, ROBERT
OSWALD, V.H.
PIERCE, SARA
REED, FRED
ROBERTS, LINDA
ROBKEN, STUART
SCHLESINGER, HENRY

SELF, EVERETTE
SHEADS, HARRY
SIEWERT, DELYNN
SILVERMAN, LEON
STAUB, LOUIS
STOTTS, C.J.
TABACCO, CARMINE
TESKE, TIMOTHY
TRASK, FRANK
VANDEVENDER, DEBORAH
VANTRUMP, JR, GEORGE
VONK, AL
WEBBER, DONALD
WEINZAPFEL, DONALD
WILCOX, WILLIAM

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ADDENDUM

MOTEL

I said I would let you know if I happened to come across "*affordable*" lodging in Orlando for the FUN '97 show. I just received a note from President Hales that there are a number of motels close to the convention center that are of a lesser price. The Quality Inn Plaza is within walking distance and should run about \$30/night. If interested, call them at 1-800-999-8585. This is not an endorsement from either of us, just an FYI.

MEMBERS

Just to let you know, after I sent the newsletters to the printers, I received dues payments from members Lawrence Hill and Fred Cameron. They are now in good standing.

MEMBER LOSS

I just received a note that we have lost yet another member. Member Louis Staub passed away on November 29, 1995. His son-in-law sent me the note and I sent a card from the club. If you want to send a card yourself, his son-in-law is William Kassimir, 54 Sullivan Dr., Jericho, NY, 11753.

EXHIBIT PANELS

Just another FYI. In the newsletter, I talked about some exhibit panels that a collector named Moskowitz had and were seen in Memphis. I now have pictures (not very good ones) and more information on these and will be putting them in the next newsletter.

2R5.1e. BACK: Yellow brown normal engraving, inverted bronze outline "5." PAPER: Thin grayish white bond. RARITY: 8. SPECIAL NOTES: Inverted surcharges, Normal engraving. 6/19/16 Chapman sale, lot 3660, Fine, price realized \$12.50.

3R25.1h. FACE: Sheet position indicator: none, black, bronze surcharge: outlined disks. BACK: Light bright red, bronze surcharge: large double lined "25" Inverted. PAPER: Thin grayish white bond. RARITY: Unique. SPECIAL NOTES: Inverted surcharge, Normal engraving.